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## Filner Upset At GOP Vote To Defund Calexico Land Port Of Entry

Congressman Bob Filner is disappointed to announce that House Republicans have voted to kill funding for the Calexico Land Port-of-Entry (LPOE) project.

The House Republicans passed H.J. Res. 48 today, which eliminates \$894 million from the General Services Administration (GSA) construction and acquisition budget. If passed by the Senate, this would eliminate all funds in FY2011 for GSA construction projects. The GSA was originally supposed to begin construction on the Calexico LPOE in 2011. The President's budget proposed \$84 million for this purpose.

"The House Republicans' drastic cuts to the GSA budget means that the Calexico Land Port-of-Entry project cannot advance as planned," said Congressman Filner after voting against the measure. "Not only will Imperial County lose jobs associated with the construction, but our economy will continue to suffer from the loss of efficiency at the border. The House Republicans' 'so-be-it' attitude towards job losses is unconscionable."

The bill now moves to the Senate, where it is expected to be voted on later this week.